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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 198, the items identified in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) are being brought to the attention of the Office. The items are listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08a. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

The items identified in this IDS may or may not be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56. The submission thereof by Applicants is not to be construed as an admission that any such patent, publication or other information referred to therein is material or considered to be material (37 CFR § 1.97(h)), or even qualifies as "prior art" under 35 USC § 102 with respect to this invention unless specifically designated by Applicants as such.

1. Timing of the Information Disclosure Statement:

☒ This IDS is believed to be timely in that it is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(b), that is (1) with the new patent application submitted herein (37 CFR § 1.97(a)); or (2) within three months of the filing date of the application, which is not a continued prosecution application filed under § 1.53(d) or (3) within three months of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.491; or (4) before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits; or (5) before the mailing of a first Office action after filing a request for continued examination under § 1.114. Thus, no fee is required.

- ☐ However, if the undersigned is in error in this regard, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider this IDS as filed under 37 CFR § 1.97(c), if applicable, and charge the fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) to the deposit account referenced below.
- ☒ However, if the undersigned is in error in this regard, Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider this IDS as filed under 37 CFR § 1.97(c), if applicable, and a statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) is included below, thus no fee is required.
- ☐ This IDS is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(c), that is after mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Action under 37 CFR § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311.
- ☐ The fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.
- ☐ The fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is being concurrently submitted with the filing of an electronic IDS submission. Thus, no additional fee is required.
- ☐ A statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) is included below, thus no fee is required. In the event that this IDS is not received before a Final Action or a Notice of Allowance, then Applicant respectfully requests that the Office consider the filing of these papers to be submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(d) and charge the fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) to the deposit account below.
- ☐ This IDS is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(d), that is after a Final Action under 37 CFR § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311, but before payment of the issue fee. A statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e) is included below. The fee due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.
- ☐ This IDS is being submitted under 37 CFR § 1.97(i), that is after a Final Action under 37 CFR § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR § 1.311, but before payment of the issue fee.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97(e):

- ☒ No item contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.
- ☐ No item contained in this IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this IDS was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS.

2. Copies of the Cited Items:

- ☐ Copies of all of the items listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08a are enclosed.

☐ Copies of only the following items listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08a (Item Nos. *) and PTO/SB/08b (Item Nos. *) are enclosed.

☒ Copies of the items listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08a are not enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i).

☐ Copies of the following documents listed in PTO/SB/08a (Item Nos. *) and PTO/SB/08b (Item Nos. *) are not supplied as they were previously cited by the Office or submitted in Information Disclosure Statements in related applications (Application No. *, filed *) and relied upon in this application for an earlier filing date under 35 USC § 120. See 37 CFR § 1.98(d). The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

☐ Copies of the following items listed on the attached forms PTO/SB/08a (Item Nos. *) and PTO/SB/08b (Item Nos. *) were cited in a foreign examination report in a related case. A copy of the search report and the cited references not already of record in this application are attached hereto.

3. Concise Explanation of Relevance:

☒ A concise explanation of relevance of the items listed on form PTO/SB/08a is not given.

☐ A concise explanation of relevance of [some of] the items listed on forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b is in the form of an English language copy of a Search Report from a foreign patent office, issued in a counterpart application, which refers to the relevant portions of the references (copy attached).

4. Related Applications:

☒ Applicant(s) bring to the Office's attention the following related application(s): U.S. Patent Application Nos. 10/656,478 and 10/656,063 both filed on September 5, 2003.

5. Conclusion:


Citation of the above documents shall not be construed as:

1. an admission that the documents are necessarily prior art with respect to the instant invention;
2. a representation that a search has been made, other than as described above; and
3. an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(b).

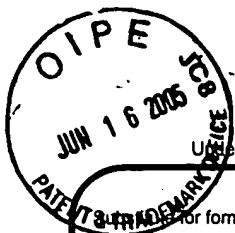
It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b with initials or other appropriate marks. In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the U.S. Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 50-2518** referencing 7031422001. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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	3	US-6,434,215 B1	08-13-02	Cesmeli	
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